'M Sathi 9110' CAR tracking device

†4616. SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards a car tracking device "M Sathi 9110" which acts like G.S.M. Modes and could be of great help in preventing car theft;

(b) if so, the details with regard to its usefulness, total cost etc.; and

(c) whether Government would consider to make it mandatory if Government think that the said device could prove effective to some extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) and (b) As per Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA) and Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), there are number of companies in India that are offering vehicle tracking systems including a car tracking device. With this system, the vehicle owner as soon as received any disaster alert like fire, intrusion etc. can remotely activate a bugler sound or radio etc. through mobile. The cost of such a system ranges from Rs. 9,000/- to Rs. 20,000/- depending upon the features opted for by the consumer. In addition, there is monthly charge to be paid by the consumer to the service provider.

(c) As such a system would have an impact on the cost of vehicle and monthly recurring charges, the provisioning of the same should be at the discretion of vehicle manufacturer and consumer.

Expansion of Speed Post services

4617. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Department of Posts is expecting a revenue of Rs. 500 crore in the current fiscal through expansion of its courier service, Speed

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Post in 18 more cities to tap the burgeoning market and is eyeing the entire country for expansion services in order to better its revenues and to counter the increasing competition from private courier service companies;

(b) whether the Speed Post revenue crossed Rs. 408 crores during 2005-06 and Government are expecting this to go beyond Rs. 500 crores in the current year; and

(c) if so, by when the entire country would be covered under this Speed Post Service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) The Department of Posts is expecting a revenue of Rs. 500 crores from the Speed Post Service in 2007-08. The National Speed Post network was extended to eighteen more cities on 01-01-2007. It was further expanded to twenty five cities on 01-03-2007 and to another fifty five cities on 02-04-2007. The details of the new National Speed Post Centres are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) The Department of Posts earned Rs. 408 crores from Speed Post Service during 2005-06 and Rs. 449 crores during 2006-07. It is expected to earn revenue of Rs. 500 crores during 2007-08.

(c) The network of Speed Post Service is extended as required taking into account the market requirements, customer needs, expected business, transport facilities available etc.

Statement

Details of the New Speed Post Centres with effect from 01-01-2007 till date

Sl. No.	List of new centres *w.e.f.* 1.1.2007	National Speed Post Centres	Sl. No.	List of new centres *w.e.f.* 1.3.2007	National Speed Post Centres
1.	**Chhattisgarh**	Bhilai	1.	**Tamil Nadu**	Annamalainagar
2.		Korba	2.		Dindigul
3.		Raigarh	3.		Kumbakonam
4.	**Gujarat**	Valsad	4.		Mayiladuthural

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5.	**Maharashtra**	Chandrapur	5.		Pudukottai
6.		Jalgaon	6.		Rajapalayam
7.		Wardha	7.		Sivakasi
8.	**Madhya Pradesh**	Guna	8.		Thanjavur
9.		Satna	9.		Tiruvannamalai
10.		Sehore	10.		Udagamandalam
11.	**Jharkhand**	Bokaro	11.		Villupuram
12.	**Rajashtan**	Bikaner	12.		Virudhunagar
13.		Pilani	13.	**Karnataka**	Chithradurga
14.	**West Bengal**	Malda	14.		Gokak
15.	**Punjab**	Hoshiarpur	15.		Hassan
16.	**Uttaranchal**	Haridwar	16.		Hospet
17.		Kashipur	17.		Kolar
18.	**Andhra Pradesh**	Anantapur	18.		Koppal
			19.	**West Bengal**	Darjeeling
			20.	**Haryana**	Bhiwani
			21.		Jind
			22.		Kaithal
			23.		Rewari
			24.		Sirsa
			25.		Sonepat

Sl. No.	List of new centres *w.e.f.* 2.4.2007	National Speed Post Centres	Sl. No.	List of new centres *w.e.f.* 2.4.2007	National Speed Post Centres
1.	**Punjab**	Ferozepur	1.	**Uttar Pradesh**	Azamgarh
2.		Jagraon	2.		Badaun
3.		Kapurthala	3.		Bahraich
4.		Mohali	4.		Ballia
5.		Sangrur	5.		Balrampur

Sl. No.	List of new centres *w.e.f.* 2.4.07	National Speed post centres	Sl. No.	List of new centres *w.e.f.* 2.4.07	National Speed Post Centres
6.	**Kerala**	Alappuzha	6.		Basti
7.		Kannur	7.		Bijnore
8.		Malappuram	8.		Deoria
9.		Pathanamthitta	9.		Etah
10.	**Uttarakhand**	Almora	10.		Etawah
11.		Lansdowne	11.		Ferozabad
12.		Mussoorie	12.		Ghazipur
13.		Nainital	13.		Gonda
14.		New Tehri	14.		Hardoi
15.		Pauri	15.		Jaunpur
16.		Rudraparyag	16.		Kheri
17.	**Gujarat**	Anand	17.		Khurja
18.	**Andhra Pradesh**	Bhimavaram	18.		Mainpuri
19.		Chittoor	19.		Mau
20.		Cuddapah	20.		Mirzapur
21.		Guntakal	21.		Muzaffarnagar
22.		Kakinada	22.		Narora
23.		Madanapalle	23.		Orai
24.		Nellore	24.		Pratapgarh
25.		Nizamabad	25.		Shahjahanpur
26.		Ongole			
27.		Proddatur			
28.		Rajahmundry			
29.		Srikakulam			
30.		Vizianagaram			